CDE Update: Assembly Bill 82 - Stipend Guidance

The California Department of Education (CDE) will issue a one-time stipend in the amount of $525 per subsidized child enrolled in a subsidized child care program. These stipends are to address costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Contractors who are eligible for stipends are:
  - CalWORKs Stage 2 (C2AP) and CalWORKs Stage 3 (C3AP)
  - Alternative Payment Program (CAPP)
  - Migrant Alternative Payment Program (CMAP)
  - Family Childcare Home Network (CFCC)
  - General Childcare and Development (CCTR)
  - California State Preschool (CSPP)
  - Migrant Childcare (CMIG)
  - Severely Handicapped (CHAN)

- Stipends will be issued based on program data for November 2020 enrollment.
- Stipends will be issued in mid-April. Contractors should distribute stipend payments within 30 days of receiving the payment from CDE.
- Stipend funds must be spent by June 30, 2022.
- Alternative Payment Program providers and Family Childcare Home Network providers will receive a per child stipend allocation from their contractor based on the number of children enrolled, regardless of actual attendance.
- Direct Contractors and Family Childcare Home Education Network contractors will retain the stipend allocation to support the program with COVID-19 pandemic relief.
- All contractors will be provided with an additional allocation equal to 5% of the total allocation for administrative costs.
- Examples of appropriate uses for stipend funding (other uses may also be acceptable):
  - Hazard pay for employees
  - Mental health services for providers, staff or children
  - Salaries and benefits for additional staff needed to safely reopen programs or increase in-person enrollment
  - Equipment and supplies

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact your assigned fiscal analyst. The CDE Fiscal Apportionment Analyst Directory web page can be found at [https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/faad.asp](https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/cd/faad.asp).